# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA LAFAYETTE-OPELOUSAS DIVISION

MARG DEISEL COALITION, et al.	
Plaintiffs,	) Civil Action No. 96-2430
v.	) Judge Haik
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, et al.,	) Magistrate Judge Hanna
Defendants.	)
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# UNOPPOSED MOTION TO WITHDRAW JEFFREY WERTKIN AS COUNSEL FOR PLAINTIFFS

Pursuant to Rules 7.4.1 and 83.2.11 of the Local Rules for the Western District of Louisiana, Plaintiffs hereby submit this Uncontested Motion to Withdraw Jeffrey Wertkin as counsel for Plaintiffs. In support of this motion, Plaintiffs state as follows:

- 1. Plaintiffs filed their Complaint on October 18, 1996. At all times since the Complaint was filed in this case, Plaintiffs have been represented by Patton Boggs LLP.
- 2. On April 29, 2010, Patton Boggs LLP attorney Jeffrey Wertkin filed a *pro hac vice* application under Local Rule 83.2 to appear on behalf of Plaintiffs in the above-captioned case.
- 3. Jeffrey Wertkin has executed a certification stating that he is no longer affiliated with Patton Boggs LLP and wishes to withdraw his appearance. *See* Attachment A.
- 4. Patton Boggs LLP continues to represent Plaintiffs through Patton Boggs LLP attorney Henry Chajet.

- 5. Permitting Jeffrey Wertkin to withdraw as counsel for Plaintiffs will not jeopardize Plaintiffs' case or otherwise negatively impact their legal representation in this case, nor will it result in any delay or other circumstances causing prejudice to any other party.
  - 6. Counsel for Defendants indicated they do not contest this motion.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs respectfully request that this Court grant leave to withdraw the appearance of Jeffrey Wertkin as counsel of record in this matter.

#### RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

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